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SYSTEM FOR PROTECTION OF
GOODS AGAINST COUNTERFEITING

DESCRIPTION

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Cross-Reference to Related Applications

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This application is a continuation-in-part (CIP) of co-
pending application Serial No. 09/060,026, filed April 14,
1998. This application is related to Application Serial No.
09182269 filed October 29, 1998 by A. Halperin et al
(IBM Docket No. YO998-287) entitled "Method and System for
Preventing Counterfeiting of High Price Wholesale and Retail
Items"; and to Application Serial No. 09182280 filed
October 29, 1998 by A. Afzali-Ardakani et al (IBM Docket
No. YO998-342) entitled "Method and System for Preventing
Parallel Marketing of Wholesale and Retail Items"; which
related Applications are being filed contemporaneously with
this application. The entire disclosure of each of these
applications is incorporated by reference herein. Each of
these three application is copending and commonly assigned.

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Field of the Invention

The present invention generally relates to
distinguishing authentic goods from counterfeit goods and,
more particularly, to a system for authenticating consumer
goods using an electronically authenticatable device
attached to goods.

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